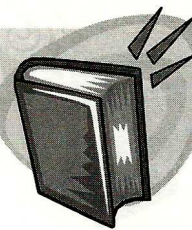


THE UNITED STATES

Guided Reading Activity 3**The Americans**

DIRECTIONS: Summarizing Reading the section and completing the summary below will help you learn more about the people of the United States. Use your textbook to fill in the blanks.

Experts believe the first Americans were from **(1)** _____ and followed their herds over a **(2)** _____. They developed **(3)** _____ ways of life using their **(4)** _____. Around 1500 **(5)** _____ began to explore the Americas. The raw materials caused them to set up **(6)** _____. By the mid-1700s, American colonists were frustrated with **(7)** _____. In 1775 the colonies **(8)** _____. In 1776 they **(9)** _____. In 1787 they wrote a document called the **(10)** _____. Our type of government is a **(11)** _____.

From 1800 to 1900, the United States grew from 13 states to include **(12)** _____. In 1861 several Southern states **(13)** _____. For four years, the **(14)** _____ and **(15)** _____ fought the **(16)** _____. In the end, the South was brought back into the Union and **(17)** _____ ended.

Today the United States is home to many **(18)** _____. Americans have always been a **(19)** _____ people. At one time the country was made up of entirely **(20)** _____, or countryside, areas. Now we are an urban nation.